



Items and Articles of Special Interest to Our Farmers

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE SASKATCHEWAN DAIRY-MEN'S ASSOCIATION

The annual convention of the Saskatchewan Dairy-men's Association, which is to be held in Saskatoon, February 12-13-14, bids fair to be the most important meeting of dairy-men ever held in the province.

Speakers from Vancouver, Calgary and Ottawa have already promised to address the convention, and a number of other prominent men from points both inside and outside the province have been invited. The meetings this year are to be held in the city instead of at the University as formerly. This is also the first year a three-day convention has been held and instead of meeting with the agricultural societies, as has been done for several years past, the dairy-men are holding an independent convention this year. In addition to the addresses of outside speakers, a number of very important local questions are to be discussed and a full report given from the Dominion Dairy Conference recently held at Ottawa. Nine competitions were conducted during the year 1918 by the Dairy-men's Association in conjunction with the Dairy Branch of the Department of Agriculture, and the results of these are to be announced at the convention. Also at the time of the convention there will be competitions in butter judging, and a boys dairy cattle judging competition.

The importance of dairying in our agricultural industry is each year becoming more generally realized, and the meetings of the Dairy-men's Convention will undoubtedly prove profitable to all who can attend.

FITTING COWS FOR LACTATION

Must Be in Extra Good Condition of Flesh at Calving Time.

All mammals, when in proper environment and under normal conditions, naturally take on flesh during pregnancy, the reserve being used in milk production when the young is born. As we expect a dairy cow to give much more milk than her calf requires it is only reasonable that she should be in extra good condition of flesh at calving time. A further consideration is the procuring of strong, well-nourished calves which cannot be expected from poorly nourished cows. Grain feeding during the dry period has been found to give greater returns than the same amount of grain fed after calving, these returns being in the form of a more vigorous calf and increased milk production. To have the cows in proper condition of flesh, one of the first requisites is to give them sufficient rest between lactation periods. The cow that is milked up to within two or three weeks of calving may pile up quite a record for that year but she will surely fall off in the next lactation period. Each cow should have from six to eight weeks of a rest period.

Choice of Feeding.

The feeding of the cow during this period will depend upon her condition when dried off. If she is in good condition of flesh then very little more than a maintenance ration is necessary, but the feeder should watch that she does not lose her sturdy condition. If she has

become thin and run down then a liberal ration should be allowed. The character of the ration need not differ materially from that fed to the milk cows. Pasture, supplemented by silage or soiling crops in summer and roots or silage and legume hay in winter should be sufficient for the cow in good condition. Those in poorer condition should receive grain in addition up to six or seven pounds per day, if necessary. It is important at all times that dairy cows receive a laxative ration but particularly so just at calving time. To this end, the grain ration should consist of such laxative feeds as wheat bran and oil cake together with either ground oats, barley, or corn, preferably the former, in equal parts. For every 100 pounds of the above grain mixture there should be added 1 pound each of ground rock phosphate, charcoal and common salt. The salt is a necessity in the ration while the other ingredients act as a tonic. Cows not receiving the grain should be fed some of this tonic mixture separately, or the last day or two before calving the regular ration should be replaced by bran alone which should be fed up to calving time and for a few days afterwards.

To Ensure Best Results.

To ensure the best results from the above method of fitting the cow for her lactation period she should be allowed plenty of exercise. Running with the milk cows in summer and being turned out in the barnyard for an hour or two daily in winter will meet requirements in this regard. This exercise will be found to do away with many of the calving and udder troubles experienced with cows highly fed on heat-producing foods just previous to calving.

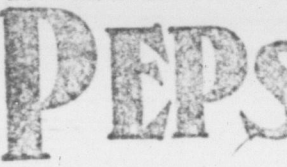
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STILL CLAIM CZAR TO BE LIVING

LONDON, Jan. —According to a story sent by a special correspondent of the Morning Post at Archangel—which it is necessary to treat with reserve—the former emperor of Russia is still alive. The correspondent telegraphs: "A friend of mine, Prince M., who has just arrived here from Petrograd, informed me that he had a long talk with Grand Duke Cyril on November 18. The Grand Duke told him that he had just received a letter from Grand Duchess Tatiana, daughter of the emperor, who wrote that the empress and her daughters were still alive and that the emperor had not been shot."

The Bolshevik officer who was ordered to carry out the sentence of death told the emperor that it was a matter of indifference to him who was shot. He had orders to produce a corpse—bullets in the head of a victim would make identification impossible.

Count T., who was present at the conversation, offered to sacrifice himself, saying he considered it his duty to lay down his life for his sovereign. The emperor protested vehemently but was overruled by Count T.—and the officer. The emperor escaped, but no one knows where he is at the present time.

"Dr. Botkin has also written to his sister to the effect that 'the greatest crime of the twentieth century has miscarried.'"

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WILD BEE SWARMS TURNED ON BRITISH BY EAST AFRICANS

SAN FRANCISCO, January 15. — Swarms of wild bees were used by German troops when they sought to prevent the landing of British troops at Tanga, German East Africa, making possible the effective use of machine guns, according to R.M. Ewart, superintendent of the British-Africa police who arrived here today enroute to London. The German troops, Ewart said, instructed natives to collect millions of wild bees in wooden hives. The hives were kept in readiness and when the British troops landed the bees were released.

POPULAR FEELING IS INTENSE AGAINST ARMY OF ITALIANS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24. — An official despatch from Belgrade to the Serbian press bureau here, said popular feeling against the Italian army grows every hour in the Serb, Croat and Slovene regions occupied by the Italian forces and that open clashes occur daily.

"From all occupied towns and villages," said the despatch, "desperate appeals to the allied powers are coming, asking for support and protection. Numerous hostile acts of the Italian army against the Jug-Slav population are reported. Serb and Croat newspapers are advising the people to wait in patience the just decision of the allied authorities, but the situation in the meantime is very dangerous for the preservation of peace."

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FRENCH DEAD NUMBER 1,327,800

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Casualties in the French army excluding colonial troops, up to November 1, were 4,762,800, according to official figures made public today by the French high commission to correct conflicting reports hitherto published.

Men killed in action or dead of wounds numbered 1,028,000 and to this total must be added 299,000 listed as missing and given up for lost, making a total of 1,327,800. The number of wounded was 3,000,000 with 435,000 listed as prisoners. Three-fourths of the wounded have recovered, either entirely or at least to such an extent as to be fit to work again.

Slightly less than 700,000 are absolutely unable to work and have been pensioned. To this figure must be added those who will come back from prison camps in Germany unfit for work. The French government estimates that the total number of unfit and pensioned may finally be between 800,000 and 900,000 men.

"If one considers only the losses among French citizens," said the commission statement, "and compares their number to the population of France, about 38,000,000 and to the number of men mobilized, about 7,500,000, one sees that the total killed or dead of wounds, missing and unfit for work, was between five and six per cent. of the French population, and between 26 and 30 per cent. of the men mobilized."

ITALIANS SEIZE SHIP

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—According to a report made public here today by the official information bureau of the Kingdom of Serbia, Croats and Slovenes, a Serb-Croatian vessel, the Dinara, flying the American flag and having a navigation license issued by the American naval commander in the Adriatic, was seized at Jelsa, January 16, by Italian forces who hauled down the American flag and carried off the ship under Italian colors.

REAL PLAGUE IN INDIA

NEW YORK. — Famine and influenza, with a death rate seven times as great as that which prevailed during the plague last spring, are sweeping certain sections of India, according to advices received by the board of foreign missions of the Presbyterian church and made public here. Unbroken droughts have caused crop failure. Prices are very high.

NO RETURN TO GERMANY

LONDON. — Premier Massey and Sir Joseph Ward, New Zealand's peace delegates, have reached London en route to Paris. Premier Massey, interviewed, said: "New Zealanders are as insistent as ever that the German colonies in the Pacific be not returned to the enemy."

POLISH POPULATION STILL DEFENDING LEMBERG

WARSAW.—The Polish population is heroically defending Lemberg from capture by the Ukrainians. Women and boys are taking part in the spirited fighting. For the past month Lemberg has been surrounded by the Ukrainians and the railway has been cut. Przemysl is also being shelled by six German nine-inch guns and airplanes are dropping shells upon the town daily, but the Ukrainians have not been successful in capturing it.

BOMBAY CHOLERA STRICKEN

BOMBAY, India. — Following the influenza epidemic here, Bombay is now suffering severely from the spread of cholera, which is largely attributable to the heavy influx from the famine districts. Deaths in Bombay, for the week ending Jan. 4, were 1,900, of which 750 were due to cholera alone. The preceding week there were 1,600 deaths, of which 550 were due to cholera. Latest figures, however, show considerable improvement.

To the Farmers of Western Canada

There is considerable low grade grain throughout the West this year and farmers who have this class of grain as well as those who have only barley or oat to ship should bear in mind that it will be to their advantage to ship to us as our long experience in the grain business and special connections enable us to get for the shipper the very highest possible price for his grain and the best premiums that are being paid. Grain can also be sold as sample and, if the shipper wishes it, we are well equipped to handle it in this way.

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THE COURIER'S MAIL BAG

CONESTOGA, Ont., Jan. 4. — We have so far had a very mild winter with hardly any snow for sleighing, which makes business rather dull.

The "fu" has been amongst us more or less for 3 months now and of late has been rather bad here, so many of the scholars of the Luth. Sunday School were down with it during the Holiday week that the usual Festival could not be held.

Mr. Dilman Snider one of our most respected aged citizens has died since we wrote last.

Mr. Gustav Dahmer of Guernsey, Sask., is spending the winter with his parents here, and Mr. Kurt Bahrs who has also spent the past few years in the west is enjoying the Ontario winter here.

Mr. and Mrs. Legender Bowman are visiting their daughter Mrs. Clayton Shantz at Carstairs, Alta.

Mr. Albert Knarr who recently sold his farm, will have a sale on the 7th inst. and will later move into the village, having bought the property of Mrs. Hemmerich.

This is election time, for Municipal office. The fight is on between the Messrs. Jos. H. Woods and Solomon Koch who are running for the Reeveship. Mr. Norman Snyder, has been elected Deputy Reeve by acclamation and also the following councillors: Alex. S. Forbes, John Brox and Byron Letson.

In our County Town-Kitchener, on Thursday, about 4200 fines were paid by a number of offenders against the Ontario Temperance Act.

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AMSTERDAM.—The Handelsblad Berlin correspondent, in a despatch received says: "The whole city is now swarming with soldiers, wearing steel helmets, carrying loaded rifles, and with hand grenades hanging on their belts. They have occupied all the bridges, where they halt and search pedestrians for arms and call for the exhibition of identification papers.

"Similar searches are even being made on the street cars."

KRYLENKO ARRESTED

COPENHAGEN. — Ensign Krylenko, former commander of the Russian Bolshevik army, has been arrested according to reports received through Finland. He was caught when he attempted to enter the anti-Bolshevik army of General Krasnoff for espionage purposes.

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OUR ORGANISED GRAIN GROWERS

Articles and items under this heading are edited by officials at the Central office of the "Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association." "The Courier" gladly gives publicity to these articles as this paper always has been and still is a strong believer in the cause of the organized farmers of the west.

Possibilities of Cooperation

The possibilities of the co-operative movement, as illustrated by the Co-operative Wholesale Societies of the United Kingdom, are limitless, this fact being further emphasized by two most recent developments. There is scarcely a branch of trade or manufacture of any importance in which these huge concerns are not engaged, and it would amaze thousands of our people on this side of the ocean if they could take a trip through a few of the business premises and works established by the English and Scotch Co-operative Wholesale Societies, and see the thousands of men and women engaged in the manufacture or distribution of various commodities, and all working under the best of conditions and at the best rates of pay. It is one thing to read of the millions of dollars worth of trade done by the wholesale societies each year; it is quite another to visit these busy hives of industry and see the vastness of their operations demonstrated before one's own eyes. This has been the experience of the writer on many occasions, and he can say without a doubt that there is no other way so effective in bringing the great work that is being done by the co-operative movement in Great Britain home to the people than to see them in operation, to witness the vast quantities of goods of all kinds that are constantly being turned out, and then to visit the great central offices and distributing warehouses, the banks, the insurance offices, and depots, and see the great armies of men and women who are there employed.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA